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***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

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Title: A FIBRE CHANNEL SWITCH THAT  
ENABLES END DEVICES IN DIFFERENT  
FABRICS TO COMMUNICATE WITH ONE  
ANOTHER WHILE RETAINING THEIR  
UNIQUE FIBRE CHANNEL DOMAIN IDS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please enter the following amendments:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.